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Founded 1884

Entered League 1908

Premiers V.F.A. 1902, 1905
Runners-Up 1901, 1903, 1904
Premiers V.F.L. 1920, 1921, 1932, 1934, 1943
Runners-Up 1919-24-27-28-29-31-33-40-42-44

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RICHMOND FOOTBALL CLUB
OFFICE-BEARERS, SEASON 1952

PRESIDENT:
H. J. Dyke, Esq.

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M. J. Bolger, Esq.; R. H. Dunn, Esq.; J. H. Jones, Esq.; Hon. P. J. Kennelly, M.L.C.; F. E. O'Brien, Esq.; Senator J. M. Sheehan.

COMMITTEE:
Messrs. J. Dyer, P. C. Langdon, C. Priestley, J. Titus, C. Callander (resigned 15/7/52), P. Rowe (appointed 15/7/52), L. J. Goring (leave of absence from 3/6/52), W. Pitt (appointed proxy 15/7/52).

Players' Representatives on Committee:
Des Rowe, R. Poulter and D. Fraser.

Richmond Cricket Club Representative on Committee:
Mr. L. Sinclair.

Delegate to Richmond Cricket Club:
Mr. C. Callander (resigned 15/7/52), Mr. M. J. Bolger (appointed 29/7/52).

Richmond Second Eighteen Representative on Committee:
Mr. J. Joyce.

Delegate to Richmond Second Eighteen:
Mr. P. C. Langdon (sick leave granted), Mr. J. Jones (acting since September).

Victorian Football League Representatives:
Messrs. H. J. Dyke and W. A. Quinn.

Chairman of Committees: Mr. F. E. O'Brien.

Hon. Solicitor: Mr. R. H. Dunn.

Auditor: Bruce Doig, Esq., Chartered Accountant (Aust.)

Hon. Medical Officer: Dr. P. L. Grogan.

Hon. Physiotherapist: Mr. John Stanley.

Timekeeper: Mr. W. Stanbrough.

Coach: Mr. J. Dyer.

Captain: Des Rowe.

Vice-Captain: Max Oppy.

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Messrs. I. Booth (Head Trainer), J. Evans, F. Hegarty, R. Jordon, R. Julier, A. Keyhoe, and W. McDonald.

OFFICE-BEARERS (Continued)

Property Steward: Mr. C. Callander.

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Door Steward: Mr. J. Chandler.

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Players' Property Steward: Mr. H. Jackson.

Hon. Transport Officer: Mr. A. Salvado.

Committee Room Stewards: Messrs. R. Hohmuth and K. Pritchard.

Selection Committee:
Messrs. P. J. Kennelly (Chairman), J. Dyer, M. Oppy, D. Rowe, J. Titus (Proxy Delegate: Mr. C. Priestley).

Finance Committee:
Messrs. F. E. O'Brien (Chairman), M. J. Bolger, R. H. Dunn, W. A. Quinn, J. M. Fleming (leave of absence from 21/4/52), H. Lingwood-Smith (acting from 21/4/52).

Executive Committee:
Messrs. F. E. O'Brien (Chairman), M. J. Bolger, R. H. Dunn, H. J. Dyke, P. J. Kennelly, W. A. Quinn, J. M. Fleming (leave of absence from 21/4/52), H Lingwood-Smith (acting from 21/4/52).

Honorary Treasurer:
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Mr. M. J. Bolger, 74 Railway Road, Carnegie (UL 3361).

Honorary Ticket Secretary:
Mr. P. C. Langdon, 49 Ormond Road, Moonee Ponds.

Honorary Social Secretary:
Mr. C. Priestley, 9 Alexandra Avenue, Canterbury.

Returning Officer: Mr. F. A. Wilkes

Secretary:
J. M. Fleming, 85 Hoddle Street, Richmond, E.1.
Phones: Ground—JB 2222, Residence—JA 2818.
(leave of absence granted from 21/4/52 to 4/2/53).

Acting Honorary Secretary:
H. Lingwood-Smith, 317 Nepean Highway, East Brighton
(appointed from 21/4/52 to 4/2/53).

RICHMOND FOOTBALL CLUB

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS

will be held in the

MELBOURNE TOWN HALL

on

WEDNESDAY, 4th FEBRUARY, 1953, at 8 p.m.

Admission by presentation of 1952 Season Membership Ticket.

BUSINESS

1. To confirm Minutes of Annual General Meeting, Season 1951.
2. To receive Annual Report and Financial Statement, Season 1952.
3. Election of Office-Bearers.
4. Presentation of Brownlow Medal to Roy Wright.
5. Presentation of Trophies.
6. To deal with any other business of which necessary notice has been given in accordance with the Rules and Constitution of the Club.

In accordance with the Constitution of the Club, the following Office-Bearers retire through effluxion of time, and are eligible for re-election:—

President: Harry Dyke, Esq.
Vice-Presidents (2): Messrs. J. Jones and F. O'Brien.
Committee (2): Messrs. P. Langdon and J. Titus.

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICE-BEARERS, SEASON 1953

President:

Mr. H. J. DYKE, Esq. (unopposed)

Vice-Presidents (two required):

J. H. JONES, Esq.; F. E. O'BRIEN, Esq. (unopposed)

Committee (two required):

Mr. P. C. LANGDON (unopposed).

Annual Report of the Committee of Management, 1952

To the Members of the Richmond Football Club,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

The Committee has much pleasure in presenting for your consideration and approval the Sixty-Eighth Annual Report and Financial Statement.

The season's operations started off on an optimistic note. A number of Interstate and country players, together with a large batch of local lads, were available. Training started early and a large number of the recruits showed form that gave promise of a bright season for the Club. The first leeway to make up was the replacement of nine 1951 players and this number was subsequently added to by some of the previous season's players being unable to reproduce sufficient form for them to retain their place with the First Eighteen.

Although Interstate and country recruits were brought to Richmond and tried out, local material from the Second Eighteen and junior teams within the district were not overlooked. Of the twenty-two new players to make the list and supplementary list this season, six were from the Second Eighteen or local lads, six from unallotted metropolitan territories, eight from the country, and two from Interstate. These lads will be available next season and, with the experience gained this season, should be a help in lifting the team higher on the premiership ladder. Clearance setbacks for two other Interstate players was another obstacle encountered. This revealed the unusual position of players holding clearances from their clubs, yet delegates of other clubs having and exercising power to refuse to let the lads play in Victoria. One of these Interstate players returned to his own State and it is with pleasure that it can be announced that an appeal to the Australian National Football Council on behalf of the other lad has been successful and the lad will be a player at Richmond next season. Disappointments were experienced with four very good country recruits who returned to their own districts. Two of them, however, it is expected will be returning for 1953.

With the quantity of material available some intense and rapid appraisals had to be carried out during the pre-season training period and the final line-up gave hopes of improved performances over the previous seasons.

The team enjoyed a victory over Fitzroy in its opening match and the standard of play was, for so early in the season, quite good. The second engagement also brought victory to the Tigers, but on the following Saturday after a good effort, a loss was sustained. Prestige and honours were, however, restored in the next match when North Melbourne were defeated. At this stage, with three wins out of four matches, the pre-season promise looked like being fulfilled. The next two matches were reverses, but a very meritorious victory against Essendon at Essendon on the Queen's Birthday holiday once again raised our hopes.

The innovation of all League teams playing away from the metropolitan area all on the same day and for premiership points was tried out for the first time in 1952 and this was our Club's next engagement; against Collingwood on the Sydney Cricket Ground. Comment on this innovation will be made later on in the Report. Our team could not handle the conditions experienced on that day and the match was lost. Upon returning home, three matches in succession were lost. The first of these, against Carlton, was lost

by a few points only in the last moments of the game. This match was rated as one of the finest games of football that has been played in Melbourne for some considerable time. A temporary recovery was made by a victory in the next match but the losses suffered to that date had made the Club's chance of making the final four become somewhat slender. Our season was completed with the fluctuating fortune of four losses and three wins. The final match of the Round was on our home ground and once more our lads showed the ability that they have by winning very convincingly against Essendon.

At times the team displayed ability and teamwork worthy of a Club in the final four, but the loss of so many matches would tend to lead supporters to think that the team was an inconsistent one. It is strange to record that football being a winter sport, our team at no time during the past season mastered the exceptionally heavy wintry conditions. It will be remembered that season 1952 was a particularly wet one and at times some grounds were quag-mires. Our own was in bad shape and although training was carried out in these conditions, the team in its matches seemed to be more handicapped than their opponents.

Although finishing outside the final four, our team was at no time taken lightly by opponents. Some of our margins of loss were small and although the team registered a hundred points in only two games for the season our opponents could only exceed on two occasions also. If plans, made for prospective players before the season started, could have been carried out, it is felt that our team would have had some of its weaknesses eliminated and would have been a contender for the final four. Injuries had a marked effect on the team and forced the selectors to make many changes in positions and at times to experiment with the material available.

The membership position is one of the most disappointing factors of the season. Membership is a very important, in fact vital, part of the Club, and it is a sphere in which every supporter of the Tigers can do an individual act that is a tangible help. The drop in members' numbers this year after last year's increase was very disappointing to your Committee. It is realised that this report is addressed to the members that have loyalty remained with the Club, and it is to these members that the Committee appeals for an effort to induce old members to renew their membership and supporters to become Club members in 1953. No Club can prosper on the field or off unless it has good membership and its members and supporters are behind it 100 per cent. The increased charges in 1952 no doubt caused the drop in membership, but at today's price the membership ticket can still be looked upon as a good saving investment.

Although the district boundaries have been modified of recent years, the administrators of your Club, after very careful survey of both old and new territories, have been forced to the conclusion that the recruit potential offering is limited, mainly of course because of the scarcity in numbers of the junior teams in the area. What teams and recruits there are, are given help and encouragement, but it is essential that additional recruits be obtained from outside our territory. Therefore during the past year recruiting has been con-ducted in unallotted territory in the metropolitan area and in numer-ous country districts. The loss of the services of a full time secretary has been keenly felt in these circumstances and to offset this loss as much as possible, the services of an able judge of footballers in the person of Mr. Des Martin was secured. Des and most of the Committeemen were always willing to follow up any leads or reports and a considerable area has been covered. In a number of cases where visits were made it was seen that the prospective recruit was

not up to the required standard and so the Club has, in such cases, been saved a considerable amount in money, time and worry in bring-ing the recruit to the city for tests and try outs. The recruiting efforts have also been successful in signing up some very promising players and it is with keenness that the Committee looks forward to these lads coming along next season. Some have already trained with the Club under Jack Dyer and both he and the remaining members of the Selection Committee have a high regard for these recruits.

In past years it has been a worry to both your Committee and the Ground Managers that better facilities could not be given to our members and patrons. Permits and lack of materials have been the stumbling blocks, but with the slight easing of the situation, your Committee, so ably led by President, Harry Dyke, has started to get things moving. An overall plan is in existance and it is hoped that better facilities and comfort in all parts of the ground will be available in the near future. Terracing of the outer, enlarging it and some of the facilities will have been carried out before the 1953 season opens.

PRESIDENT

The Club President, Mr. Harry Dyke, gave another year of yeoman service to the Club. No one more than he realised the necessity of every office-bearer to make an extra effort in the absence of the Secretary and it was truly amazing the time and work that Harry put into the Club this year. Every year he has put up excellent performances as leader and administrator of the Club, but 1952 he even surpassed his previous efforts. Apart from his gener-osity in time and money he has set foundations for things that give immediate or accrued benefits to the Club.

To our President thanks are also due primarily for the com-mencing of improved facilities at the ground, for the very cordial and happy working relationship we enjoy with the Richmond Cricket Club and Ground Managers, for preservation of the Club's rights at the Victorian Football League and on its many and various Committees, and by no means least by his very able chairmanship of the General Committee. Harry is very much liked by every office-bearer and player in the Club and many are the present and past players who can acknowledge a good deed from him. No office-bearer is more sincere or works harder in the Club's interest than our President.

OUR VICE-REGAL MEMBER

The continued interest shown in the welfare of the Club by our number one member, His Excellency the Governor, Sir Dallas Brooks, is very much appreciated by the Committee.

The visit of the Vice-Regal party during the season was an occasion looked forward to and created much interest. Sir Dallas' speech at the conclusion of the match when presenting the "Dyke-McLennan" Cup clearly showed that in addition to being an inter-ested spectator, he was a keen Richmond fan.

It is considered an honour to have Sir Dallas and Lady Brooks with us at our games and a privilege to have the opportunity of entertaining them in our clubrooms.

VICE-PRESIDENTS

The Club's Vice-Presidents, comprising Messrs. M. J. Bolger, R. H. Dunn, J. H. Jones, P. J. Kennelly, F. E. O'Brien and Senator J. M. Sheehan, form an integral part of the Committee of Manage-ment, and contribute largely to the successful working of this Committee and the Club generally.

Every Vice-President carried out other tasks for the Club in addition to those at the table of the Committee of Management and the experience so gained aided them considerably in handling the many and varied problems that came before the Committee.

COMMITTEE

The members of the Committee, Messrs. J. Dyer, C. Callander, L. Goring, P. Langdon, C. Priestley, J. Titus, P. Rowe and W. Pitt, devoted themselves actively to the committee work required of them, also to various sub-committees upon which they were appointed and to other tasks allotted to them.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Goring who journeyed overseas but who expects to be with us again in 1953. Mr. W. Pitt, a very active worker for the Club, was appointed as proxy during the absence of Mr. Goring. It is to be hoped that the time is not far distant when Mr. Pitt will have a regular seat on the Committee.

The Club stalwart in Mr. Charlie Callander realised during the season that too many tasks can be undertaken and so resigned from the Committee to concentrate on maintaining the success he had previously achieved with other duties for the Club. To the vacancy Mr. Perce Rowe was appointed and he brings with him a wealth of experience as a player and football administrator. His appointment created the unique position of having father and son (Des, our Captain) on the Committee at the same time.

TREASURER

Last year's report gave high praise for the work of the Treasurer, Mr. W. A. Quinn, and this year he earns similar comments for another year of hard, exacting and successful work. His tact, his attention to every detail, his consideration of all financial matters and his business methods have enabled him to give to his position the attention that this position demands and your Committee are pleased to record their appreciation of his splendid work.

V.F.L. DELEGATES

Messrs. Harry Dyke and Bill Quinn were re-appointed as your Club's Delegates to the Victorian Football League and both filled their places on the controlling body with credit to the Club and themselves. Today the duties of a Club Delegate are most exacting, many and varied are the tasks to be undertaken at the League table and on the League's numerous sub-committees. Much time has to be given by Delegates and this is in addition to that devoted to the Club.

On the occasions of unavoidable absence during the season, Mr. H. Lingwood-Smith acted as proxy delegate.

An astute move by Mr. Dyke in the matter of a playing ground for another club, has secured the club's finances against an unwarranted inroad over the next four years.

EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

The Executive Committee comprising Messrs. Harry Dyke, Frank O'Brien, Pat Kennelly, Martin Bolger, Ray Dunn, Bill Quinn, Maurie Fleming and H. Lingwood-Smith, together with the Finance Committee, whose membership is Messrs. Frank O'Brien (Chairman), Bill Quinn, Ray Dunn, Martin Bolger, Maurie Fleming, and H. Lingwood-Smith, rendered another year of efficient service. Mr. Fleming had, unfortunately, to temporarily relinguish the work because of ill health and his place on both Committees was taken by Mr. H. Lingwood-Smith.

It is to these two Committees that the Club looks for guidance in administration and finance, and with the fluctuating fortunes of a season the members of these Committees must be in close touch

with all Club activities, have administrative capabilities and be able to make a decision that either gives or accrues a benefit to the Club. The interests of the players is one item of paramount importance to these two Committees and it can be said that with the season's difficulties of a team that did not hit the top lines, plus the still steady rise in costs, the duties have been successfully carried out.

SELECTION COMMITTEE

Messrs. Pat Kennelly, Jack Titus and Jack Dyer of the Selection Committee had the unenviable task of grading all the players who attended the pre-season training. Upon being appointed Captain and Vice-Captain, Des Rowe and Max Oppy respectively, took their places as members of this Committee.

The practice of previous years of having Messrs. Charlie Priestley as proxy delegate, Bob Brady, Jim Phelan and Coach Alby Pannam, 2nd XVIII. Selectors, in attendance at all meetings and reports tabled from the 3rd and 4th Eighteens, was again carried out. This proved of inestimable value, assured every player training at Richmond of having his prospects reviewed every week and kept before the Selectors the promising material coming forward.

Amongst the many difficulties that had to be faced by the Selection Committee was the inability of some of the players to reproduce their practice match form in matches, the inconsistent form shown by players at times, injuries which frequently upset the balance and placing of the team and the lack of experienced players.

COACH

Jack Dyer again entered into his duties with enthusiasm and did not spare himself in his endeavours to bring out the best that was in the young players that comprised the Club's list. His sincerity of purpose is undoubted and very much appreciated by the Committee and others associated with him in the Club.

At the conclusion of the season Jack informed the Committee of his decision to relinquish the coaching position and it is the Club's very good fortune that he is to remain a member of the Committee. With his wealth of experience and ability his name will shine at Richmond and be before the football public for many years to come.

An opportunity in private life presented itself to Jack and as the years leave no one any younger, he has wisely decided that the future of his family must be considered.

Jack has a mighty record which is now household knowledge, but in addition to this his work for the good of football in general and Richmond in particular has occupied a lot of his time and brought forth good results.

CAPTAIN AND VICE-CAPTAIN

With the retirement from the Club of 1951's Captain, it became necessary to appoint someone new to the position. Des Rowe was the chosen player and he was assured of the unanimous support of the players. The popular Max Oppy was appointed as Vice-Captain and it is pleasing to report the co-operation that was always evident with Coach, Captain and Vice-Captain.

Des did not strike the form he displayed the previous year, but he was ever willing to be used to bolster up weaknesses that became apparent in different parts of the field. Like many captains before him, he realised the effort necessary to excel as a Captain and a player, and it is something that has to be experienced to be appreciated. Des' leadership, in the clubrooms, in players' social activities and as players' representative on the Committee was very much appreciated and gained respect from all in the Club.

Max gave good service on and off the field as lieutenant to his Captain. His example is an inspiration that could well be followed by young footballers coming into the game.

PLAYERS

Of the thirty-three players who played for the Club in 1951, several were missing when this season's list was finalised. Main causes of deletion were:—

Returned home Interstate	1
Coaching in the Metropolitan Area	1
Coaching in the Country	3
Clearances granted	4

The nine vacancies thus created gave ample encouragement and opportunity for recruits to make the grade into senior football.

The following forty-six players made the Training and Supplementary Lists during 1952. The lists were, for various reasons, varied during the currency of the season:—

Allen, T. R.	Cox, G. P.	Oppy, W. M.
Audas, P. F.	Currie, J. C.	O'Rourke, J. B.
Austen, C. E.	Dillon, K. R.	Poulter, R. L.
Abbott, N. L.	Ednie, W. R.	Reiffel, R. F.
Allen, D. C.	Flintoff, L. F.	Ritchie, J. A.
Betson, K. J.	Fraser, D. W.	Rowe, K. D.
Boland, B. F.	Geard, R. A.	Rowe, S. H.
Brennan, J.	Gleeson, R. W.	Ryan, F. W.
Brennan, G.	Gibb, R.	Schofield, P. J.
Brown, B. H.	Green, W. A.	Spring, G. C.
Cations, A. R.	Hoare, G. F.	Turner, B.
Clarke, F. E.	Hogan, B. J.	Toshack, B.
Collins, G. J.	Hogan, K. E.	Western, A.
Cooke, A. E.	Morcom, S. G.	Wilson, W. P.
Cooke, H. W.	McGuinness, K. F.	Wright, G. R.
	Nix, J. J.	

Twenty-two of these players appeared in Richmond's Lists for the first time and seven of the rest were having their second season only. From these figures it can be readily deduced that the Club suffered a deficiency of experienced players. As a measure of counterbalance, it can be said that with such a young team the future prospects must be considered good. Commenting on the youth of the side, it is interesting to note that twenty-three of the above players were not over 21 years of age.

Roy Wright won the highest award a player can get in Victorian football, namely the Brownlow Medal.

Interstate selection was won by Roy Wright, Don Fraser and Bill Wilson and here again the choice was well merited.

The trophy list (later on in this Report) sets out the order of merit in which the most prominent of our players were regarded. To this can be added that John Nix, Max Oppy, Des Rowe and Geoff Spring played in every premiership match during the season and Bill Wilson and Roy Wright only missed when they were engaged in Interstate matches. Alan Cooke and Ray Poulter missed only one match each and others to be out through injuries only were Col Austen, Alan Cations, Don Fraser, Jack O'Rourke and Havel Rowe. Several players enjoyed improved seasons, Havel Rowe, Fred Clarke, Frank Ryan and Kev Dillon being prominent in this way.

Amongst the new players to register some good performances and who are expected to make their presence felt in the future, were Kev. Betson, Alan Cations, Gerry Collins, Graham Cox, Rex Geard, Ray Gibb, Gavin Hoare, Kev. Hogan and Stan Morcom.

BROWNLOW MEDAL

With great pleasure it is recorded that the Club's young, popular and talented player, Roy Wright, was the winner of the Victorian Football League's Brownlow Medal. This award is for the League's Best and Fairest Player, and the winning of it by Roy was acclaimed by other clubs, players and followers of the game. The choice of Roy was very popular in Richmond circles and the Club is not unmindful of the honour that Roy has brought to the Club.

On Roy's performance for the season, the honour was richly deserved. He had an excellent season, for besides winning the Brownlow Medal, he won the Club's Best and Fairest Trophy, several trophies during the season, was the recipient of substantial awards from supporters and gained Interstate selection.

Roy is not only a champion footballer, but he is in the same category as a clubman. We are proud of him.

TRAINERS AND STAFF

The limelight of football shines on the players, and rightly so. This same limelight, however, blinds most supporters to the tremendous effort that goes on behind the game by the small army of workers that toil almost unnoticed so that the players are turned out fit and correctly attired and so that the many and varied activities of the Club are carried out efficiently.

To these workers very sincere tribute is paid. Foremost amongst them are trainers, Jim Evans, Frank Hegarty, Ray Julier, Ron Jordon, Alby Keyhoe and Bill McDonald who are ably led by our Head Trainer, Irvine Booth. These men are experts at their craft and the players derive much benefit from their efforts.

Property Steward, Charlie Callander, went another step on and up in his career. Besides maintaining within the Club the high level of his work of former years, he has been appointed the Victorian Football League's official Baggage Steward.

On the opening pages of this Report is set out some of the workers within the Club and to them must be added the ticket sellers, social workers, etc., who also once again gave good service to the Club.

HONORARY MEDICO AND PHYSIO-THERAPIST

Dr. P. L. Grogan and Mr. John Stanley again filled these two very important posts and besides the many hours spent in the clubrooms, both unstintingly gave of their leisure time to treat players at their private residences. Time and trouble meant nothing to these two gentlemen and their efforts assured the Club that absentee of players through injury was always of the minimum possible duration.

The co-operation of these two gentlemen with the Head Trainer and Selection Committee was again very much appreciated. A special room has been set aside for attention to injured players and with additions to be made to the equipment already installed, should be one of the most up-to-date rooms of its kind amongst the Clubs and should assist greatly in players getting prompt and effective treatment.

THE BILL COSGROVE MEMORIAL TROPHY

This trophy is donated annually by our President, Mr. Harry Dyke, in memory of the late Bill Cosgrove who was killed in action with the R.A.A.F. It is presented to the best first-year player and for season 1952 Graham Cox was successful in winning it.

Graham had a very rapid rise in football during the season. He opened with the 3rd Eighteen and was soon chosen to play in the 2nd Eighteen. By consistent good games, he forced his way into the Senior team and then held his place until the end of the season.

ROY WRIGHT, 1952 Brownlow Medallist.
Best and Fairest, Richmond, 1952.

THE J. D. LANGDON MEMORIAL CUP

The best and fairest player in the 2nd Eighteen is always awarded this trophy which perpetuates the memory of one who in the past was very well known by this sterling work for the Club.

Graham Cox is also the recipient of this trophy. The games that he played with the 2nd Eighteen whilst graduating to the Senior team were of such a high standard that the votes he received were sufficient for him to finish at the top of the voting. It is really a remarkable performance to play in three teams for the Club in one season and win top line trophies in two of them.

THE J. J. SMITH MEMORIAL TROPHY

The Senior Club endows this trophy to the memory of the late Jack Smith, a former Secretary and Treasurer and is given for the best and fairest player in the 3rd Eighteen.

After very keen competition from his team mates, Graham Richmond was the winner of the trophy. At no time, however, did Graham and the players of the 3rd Eighteen loose sight of the necessity for team work to bring the best results.

LIFE MEMBERS FOR 1952

Life membership has been conferred on a member of the General Committee and the Club's Doctor. No player achieved the distinction of playing in his tenth year with the Club during the season.

The member of the General Committee to have the honour bestowed upon him is Mr. Les Sinclair who represents the Richmond Cricket Club upon the Committee.

Mr. Sinclair first came under notice in the football sphere when he served for two years on the Committee of our 2nd XVIII. This was followed by two years as proxy delegate for the Richmond Cricket Club on the Football Club's General Committee. Then in 1942 he was appointed as delegate to the Football Club and has faithfully preserved the interests of the Cricket Club for 11 years whilst at the same time he has been a keen worker, always willing to accept Committee responsibilities and give assistance in work to further the Football Club's fortunes.

Naturally, being the Cricket Club's representative, Mr. Sinclair has cricket interests and has an excellent record of 22 years as Secretary of the Richmond City Cricket Club and a member of the Richmond Cricket Club Committee since 1934.

The award of this Life Membership is unique in that it is the first time in the history of the Richmond Football Club that a Cricket Club representative has been made a Life Member.

Our Club Doctor, Dr. P. L. Grogan, is the recipient of the other Life Membership. Dr. Grogan's good work has been mentioned earlier in this Report and for the last 15 years the Club Secretaries have written in their Annual Reports about the excellent service he has rendered to the Club. It has been no idle tribute as Dr. Grogan has throughout the whole of that time, displayed a keen interest in the Club and the doings of the players.

His services have been given unstintingly and a time factor has never entered his thoughts. He is available to our players in the clubrooms on training nights and also over the whole week-ends. In addition, he gives, where necessary, treatment to them at his private residence at any time that such treatment is necessary and will assist the Club by having the player fit and well in the earliest possible time. Dr. Grogan has, throughout the years, also shown his support by donating trophies.

FIVE-YEAR CERTIFICATES

Two players in Havel Rowe and Geoff Spring earned five-year playing certificates during the season. Both these players have played well and their standard of play has made them permanent members of the team. Through their play they have become so well known to our supporters that it comes as a mild surprise to find that they have only been with us the five years. It is hoped, however, to have their services for a number of years yet.

RICHMOND CRICKET CLUB

It is with pleasure that it can be reported that the Richmond Cricket Club, so ably led by Messrs. Jim Cook (President), Percy Maybury (Secretary) and Noel Baragwanath (Treasurer), co-operated with the Football Club Executives over another year in an endeavour to further the interests of both Clubs and their members. The personal help of these three gentlemen was, in the absence of the Football Club Secretary, particularly appreciated. The players of both Clubs have enjoyed combined social functions and look forward to a continuation of these arrangements.

On the social side we are indebted to Kevin Cook, and his assistants, of the Cricket Club and Charlie Priestley and Charlie Callander of our own Club.

An evening given by the Cricket Club on the eve of the departure of our Secretary and a useful presentation to Maurie was very much appreciated.

The Cricket Club are the controllers of the ground staff and here again we are very much indebted to these men for their extra efforts in an endeavour to have the ground fit to play on during one of the most wintry seasons on record.

RICHMOND SECOND EIGHTEEN

In their wisdom the Committee of the 2nd Eighteen again had Messrs. R. (Bob) Knapp as President, Jim Joyce as Secretary, Frank Keon as Treasurer and Mel Wishart as Social Secretary. This was to prove a wise choice again as a strong band of helpers took office under these gentlemen and willingly carried out their duties in an endeavour to maintain the Cubs in their usual position at or near the top of the 2nd XVIII. Premiership Ladder.

With Alby Pannam again as Coach another successful season can be recorded. Some of the achievements were: full co-operation with the 1st XVIII. officials, a willingness to recommend and release players for try outs with the Senior team, a very successful social season and of paramount importance, the reaching of the final four. Although the 2nd XVIII did not get past the first semi-final, it can truly be said to them on their season's performance—well done.

President Bob Knapp suffered a serious illness early in the year and his recovery and return to active participation pleased everybody.

With Alby Pannam's elevation to the coaching position with the First Eighteen, it is interesting to review his record with our Cubs. He was for seven years Captain and Coach and during that time led the team into the final four on five occasions, once to the premiership, twice as runners-up and once each in third and fourth positions. On the two occasions that the team was out of the four it finished knocking at the door in fifth and sixth places. May he continue that record with the Seniors.

Principal awards made by the 2nd XVIII were:—

Best and Fairest .... Graham Cox
Runner-up .... Kevin Betson
Leading Goalkicker .... Peter Schofield

With 64 goals, Peter was also the leading goalkicker in the 2nd XVIII. League for 1952.

RICHMOND THIRD EIGHTEEN

Andy Brannan was again Coach of the 3rd Eighteen and Ted Bell and Wally Hall capably carried out the duties of co-managers.

The team plays the curtain-raisers to the Senior match and most of our Club members have noticed their good efforts and the promising material in their ranks. The team did not repeat last year's performance of reaching the "four" but achieved one of the most important objectives for which it was formed. During the season forty-three local lads were tried out, of these eight received promotion and were tried in the 2nd XVIII., whilst two in Graham Cox and Stan Morcom succeeded in making the Senior team. Both lads justified their promotion and look like giving the Seniors many years of service.

The 3rd XVIII. commenced their season well by winning their first two matches, but then suffered the loss of eight of their players who had been called up for National Service Training. This loss affected the strength of the team but at no time could opponents take them lightly.

Graham Richmond was elected Captain and on his efforts for the season also won the Best and Fairest award. During the latter part of the season, Graham also won promotion to the 2nd XVIII. Arthur McConnell then took over the captaincy and proved a worthy successor. Laurie Johnson had a good season and won the trophy presented by the 2nd XVIII. for the runner-up to the Best and Fairest.

The social side was well catered for and at the conclusion of the season a very happy and successful trip to Wonthaggi was made. The team played in the curtain-raiser to the Grand Final of the local competition and won the match. To Mr. Alan Carmichael, who arranged the match, and Mr. and Mrs. Lee, of the State Mine Hotel, who so ably looked after the visitors' well-being, the team wish to convey their very best thanks.

RICHMOND FOURTH EIGHTEEN

The Fourth Eighteen was formed in 1951 and was to be used as a feeding ground to the 3rd XVIII., a team to cater for lads who had recently left school and also a recruiting ground for boys from 14 years upwards who lived in unallotted territory. Although in 1951 the Fourths did not win a match, it had a measure of success in the objects for which it was formed. This season it not only furthered those objectives, but won its way into the preliminary final and went down to the premiers with its colours flying. It entered the preliminary final very much handicapped because of injuries and some of its key lads being unable to get away from work to participate in the game which had been switched to be played at other than the usual hour.

It was a very good effort to reach the preliminary final in their second year of existence. The lads were ably lead by Trevor Hart and on the field most support came from Graham Fraser, Best and Fairest; Lindsay Symons, Second Best and Fairest; whilst Trevor and Kevin Smith were voted equal third Best and Fairest. Trevor and several of the lads will in 1953 be over age and will go on to the 3rd XVIII.

Off the field of play much credit is due to Stewart Hemmerde, the manager, for his untiring work and interest in the lads, and to Keith Hearn, the honorary coach who knows his football and can get the interest of the lads and teach them, and Gordon Wade, the 17 years old energetic secretary. Gordon's efforts raised £250 for the season and practically made the Fourths self-supporting. Often

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RICHMOND FOOTBALL CLUB—INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, SEASON 1952

EXPENDITURE

Team Maintenance:—			
Players' Allowances, Sustenance, Lost Time, etc.	£3,450 11 6		
Coach and Training Staff	993 8 6		
Richmond Football Club 2nd XVIII.	434 5 4		
Richmond 3rd XVIII., Richmond Junior League and Junior Club Expenses	275 15 2		
Materials, Training Requisites	456 10 1		
Medical Supplies and Expenses	426 2 6		
Players' Presentations and Trophies	94 13 0		
Transport and Car Hire	148 4 3		
Recruiting Expenses	195 6 10		
Refreshments, Entertainment, etc.	847 12 4		
Delegates' Fees	2 2 0		
Players' Provident Fund	567 0 0		
Blazers, Uniforms, etc.	70 0 0		
Club Trips, A.N.F.C. "Away" Match and Geelong Expenses	648 6 0		
		£8,609 17 6	
Administration Expenses:—			
Annual Meeting Expenses and Hire of Halls	£156 7 0		
Printing and Advertising	781 14 9		
Telephone, Telegrams, Postage	203 5 0		
Wreaths	16 19 6		
Insurances	37 1 1		
Secretarial Salary and Expense Allowance	638 5 0		
Ground Management	327 13 10		
Maintenance, Clubrooms	277 11 3		
Presentations, Donations, Hospital Appeals, etc.	108 0 1		
General Expenses	64 18 11		
Photographs and Framing	30 19 4		
		2,642 15 9	
Honoraria		527 8 0	
Commission on Sale of Tickets		5 8 0	
Payroll Tax		107 12 2	
Depreciation, Furniture and Fittings		47 12 0	
Surplus to Accumulation Account		1,062 10 10	
		£13,003 4 3	

RECEIPTS

Membership:—			
Sale of Tickets:			
4221 Adult Tickets at 22/6	£4,748 12 6		
689 Scholars' Tickets at 7/6	258 7 6		
	£5,007 0 0		
Less Levy paid to V.F.L.	118 0 6		
		£4,888 19 6	
Richmond Cricket Club Membership Payments		1,348 10 0	
Donations		780 11 6	
Gate Receipts:—			
Matches Home Ground	£2,133 1 4		
Matches Other Grounds	2,388 4 9		
Practice Matches	60 8 8		
		4,581 14 9	
Share of Second Round Proceeds:—			
Finals	£1,736 0 0		
Less V.F.L. Levies	844 5 3		
		891 14 9	
Broadcasting Rights		25 0 0	
Catering Rights		442 10 0	
Interest Received		44 3 9	
		£13,003 4 3	

RICHMOND FOOTBALL CLUB—BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1952

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities:—			
Provision for Taxation		£150 0 0	
Accumulation Account:—			
Balance, 1/1/52	£3,706 8 4		
Add Surplus Season 1952	1,062 10 10		
		4,768 19 2	
		£4,918 19 2	

ASSETS

Current Assets:—			
English Scottish and Aust. Bank Ltd.	£2,793 13 2		
State Savings Bank, Trip Fund	2 16 5		
		£2,796 9 7	
Investments, Commonwealth Treasury Bonds		1,400 0 0	
Fixed Assets:—			
Furniture, Fittings, etc., 1/1/52	£294 13 11		
Add Additions	181 13 6		
	£476 7 5		
Less Depreciaion	47 12 0		
		428 15 5	
Deferred Assets:—			
V.F.L. Club Trust Account		293 14 2	
		£4,918 19 2	

H. J. DYKE, President. W. A. QUINN, Treasurer. H. LINGWOOD-SMITH, Act. Hon. Secretary

RICHMOND FOOTBALL CLUB PLAYERS' PROVIDENT FUND, SEASON 1952

RECEIPTS				DISBURSEMENTS			
To Balance State Savings Bank			£1,473 18 7	By Payments to Players:—			
„ Interest:—				Albiston, K.		£75 19 4	
Commonwealth Loan Bonds	£46 17 6			Dyer, J.		219 6 0	
State Savings Bank	14 13 3			Priestley, C.		76 3 10	
		61 10 9		Stokes, R.		154 3 1	
„ Grant, Richmond Football Club, Season 1952		567 0 0					£525 12 3
				„ Balance State Savings Bank			1,576 17 1
		£2,102 9 4					£2,102 9 4

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PROVIDENT FUND BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1952

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
Participants' Credits and Interest	£3,076 17 1	Commonwealth Loan Bonds	£1,500 0 0
		Balance State Savings Bank	1,576 17 1
	£3,076 17 1		£3,076 17 1

DIGEST OF SALES OF 1952 MEMBERS' TICKETS

Sales—Adults	4,221	As issued by Printer:—	
Unsold—Adults	2,156	Adults	7,000
Life Members	56	Scholars	1,250
Donors, Complimentary, etc.	567		
Sales—Scholars	689		
Unsold—Scholars	468		
Complimentary Tickets sent local Schools and Boys' Homes	93		
	8,250		8,250

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The President and Members, Richmond Football Club, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have to report that I have examined the Accounts and Transactions of your Club for the year ended 31st December, 1952.

I have been advised that the Club did not at the 31st December, 1952, have any liabilities other than those shown in the above Balance Sheet.

I have pleasure in reporting that in my opinion, the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and correctly sets forth the true position of the Richmond Football Club at the 31st December, 1952, according to the information and explanations afforded me and as shown by the books of the Club.

23rd January, 1953.

BRUCE W. L. DOIG, Chartered Accountant (Aust.), Auditor.

young footballers have futures predicted for them, but by way of a change, may I predict that Gordon is a future secretary of the Senior Club.

Apart from their premiership matches the Fourths played a combined team of lads at Shepparton as a curtain-raiser; invited them to Melbourne and played them again, this time as a curtain-raiser to the Senior's final match of the season. Both matches were won by the Fourths. Another match they played, which it is hoped will become an annual feature, was against Caulfield Grammar School 1st XVIII.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL IN OUR DISTRICT

Junior football clubs were commented upon fully in last year's report and all that was then said is heartily endorsed for the 1952 season. Without naming the energetic and hard-working officials of these clubs at length, it is the Senior Club's desire to express thanks to them all and say that their support is very much appreciated.

The Training List of the Senior Club contains the names of quite a few players who graduated through the ranks of the local junior clubs.

During the season contact was made with the following local clubs: Richmond Districts, Richmond Citizens, Burnley, Caulfield District, Malvern Amateurs, Hughesdale, East Malvern, Kew, North Kew and Kew C.Y.M.S. and to these and all other junior clubs in our district we again extend our invitation for them to avail themselves of our treatment facilities for any of their seriously injured players.

Senior players assisted by attending the various functions of the junior clubs and at times gave football lectures. Principal helpers in this regard were Des Rowe, Roy Wright, Bill Wilson, Ray Poulter, Jack O'Rourke, Ray Ednie, Tom Allen, Kev. Dillon, Peter Schofield, whilst our Coach Jack Dyer was in great demand. Jack carried out a big programme of helping junior clubs but as the requests were metropolitan wide as well as from country districts, it was impossible for him to oblige every club that sought his assistance.

PLAYERS' PROVIDENT FUND

Both funds, i.e. the Club's Provident Fund and the Victorian Football League's Provident Fund, were in operation again this season for the benefit of the players who provide the entertainment so much enjoyed by supporters of the game. An amount of £567 was placed in the Club Fund at the conclusion of the season and considering the team finished so far out of the final four and could not, on performances, be considered a weekly draw card, this amount is considered a good contribution. The above amount is in addition to the Victorian Football League Provident Fund which this year has been based on an amount of £2 per match.

DONORS TO CLUB FUNDS AND TROPHY DONORS

It is desired to record our very best thanks to the many Club donors who contribute either direct to the Club's funds or as trophies on match days and also have again made it possible for the presentations at the Annual Meeting.

Our Club enjoys the privilege of having a large number of supporters who, besides being members, show their appreciation by additional interest in the way of donations and trophies and although they have been individually thanked, it is desired to record our appreciation of this much valued support.

OBITUARY

A number of officials, players, staff, life members, old players, donors and members suffered family bereavements, and to them the Club's sincere sympathy has already been conveyed.

SOCIAL

Social activities were again many and varied and extended over the whole twelve months. Charlie Priestley (Social Secretary) was ever busy in his quiet and unassuming way and has the happy knack of getting a lot done with very little fuss.

The Club's Annual Ball at the Ziegfield Palais, Glenferrie, was a very successful and happy function. Bookings were sold out very quickly and for those that wish to attend next season's Ball, early reservations will be necessary. Barry Sandford's efforts added much enjoyment to the evening.

Kia-Ora Sports Parade is now a set fixture very much looked forward to each year. 1952 Parade was held in the Melbourne Town Hall and, although very early in the season, there was a good attendance. Enthusiasm and enjoyment ran high, particularly when our players were active participants in items. Max Reddy, Doug Elliot, Norm Banks and the excellent team of assisting artists certainly made it an evening of first class entertainment.

Golf days were held during and after the football season and on every occasion were much enjoyed.

An innovation during the year was tennis days when players could relax and enjoy another type of sport.

Pleasant Sunday mornings were again held in the clubroom. The rooms of the Richmond Cricket Club were again available for us to entertain the cricketers and on the evening that they reciprocated. Another very enjoyable function in those rooms was the evening given by the Cricket Club to our Secretary, Maurie Fleming, prior to his departure overseas for a very much needed change. Maurie was the recipient from the Richmond Cricket Club of a presentation that would prove very useful in his travels.

The Football Club tendered to Maurie a dinner and presentation on the eve of his departure and owing to Maurie's popularity, difficulty was experienced in limiting the number to fit into the establishment where the function was held.

Mr. Mel Wishart, Social Secretary of the 2nd XVIII., and his helpers, were to the fore again and conducted many social functions and wound up their season with a Smoke Social. A number of Committeemen, players and staff of the Seniors attended and enjoyed this latter function.

CLUB TRIPS

Sydney.—On the 14th June the Club was drawn to play against Collingwood on the Sydney Cricket Ground in the match arranged by the Australian National Football Council. The aim of the match was to help propagate our game in New South Wales and premiership points were at stake.

It was decided to merge a Club Interstate Trip and this special match and arrangements were therefore made for players and officials in excess of the number allowed by the A.N.F.C. to go. A very happy party under the managership of Harry Dyke travelled from Melbourne by train and although whilst in Sydney an enjoyable time was had, the match was not lost sight of and strict training was carried out on No. 2 Ground at the S.C.G. Good weather prevailed to the Friday evening then torrential rain fell all Friday night and Saturday. To the chagrin of all it cleared up on Sunday morning and further good weather was enjoyed until Melbourne was reached by plane later in the week. As stated earlier in this Report, our players seemed to be unable to master bad weather conditions and here again in a match of special importance, our players were unable to give of their best.

Sydney proved very interesting to those of our players visiting it for the first time and to those renewing acquaintance with it. The

hospitality was good with very special efforts by the Eastern Suburbs and North Shore Football Clubs. The sight-seeing, particularly the Woollongong trip, was also very much enjoyed. Apart from the excellent effort put into arranging everything for our Club by Manager Harry Dyke, two other personalities highlighted the trip. First was Perce Page, former Secretary of Richmond and also of the A.N.F.C., who organised the match and publicity in a manner that was even an "eye opener" to us Melbournites. Through his efforts alone, the game was a success despite the shocking weather conditions. The second was Roy Pillars who gave his undivided attention to our Club and ran himself to a standstill organising entertainment and seeing that everyone enjoyed themselves. His was really a great effort.

Corowo.—It was decided, upon receipt of an invitation from the Corowa Football Club, to organise a players' trip at the conclusion of the season. Acting Secretary Hec. Lingwood-Smith was appointed manager and the players were so successful in organising functions amongst themselves that the trip was able to be conducted without cost to the Club funds. The trip was arranged whilst the first semi-final was being played in Melbourne and the Club players had the pleasure that day of witnessing the record semi-final played by the Ovens and Murray competition at Albury.

The following day a match was played at Corowa against a combined team from the Ovens and Murray and apart from winning a very interesting game, two things in particular remain in the memory of that day. First was Coach Dyer's speech at half time. During the first half the lads seemed to be taking it easy and were behind in the score but that speech at half time changed all that. Locals knew of Jack as a fire-eater but now they know that he can also dispense it. Some were a little concerned for the wooden grandstand as it was not insured. The second is the debate on who was to pay for the load of filling necessary to level off the ground again after Jack Dyer's plunge to earth on his shoulder after one of his old time towering efforts.

Everyone on that trip will always remember the non-stop entertainment provided by Fred Webb.

Poowong.—Mr. Terry Fitzpatrick and his co-workers at Poowong once again invited the Club to that district. Following a match, with proceeds going to charity, a dance and barbecue was attended by all. The hospitality of the Poowong people is of such a high standard that it was with some reluctance that members of the party made their leave for home.

NIGHT FOOTBALL

It is well known that several organisations have given thought to the idea of night football, but it was left to two clubs of the Victorian Football League to carry out the experiment. Harry Dyke, quick to seize the opportunity, had Richmond Club lined up to play Essendon. The Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria, on whose Showground the game was to be staged, waxed very enthusiastic and were very energetic in the organising. Close working by the three parties saw to it that nothing was left undone and Richmond's handling of publicity created much interest in the match. The bringing of Jim Deane from South Australia and the playing of Laurie Moir, of Launceston, Tasmania, added to the interest.

Reserve seats were sold out on the day that bookings opened and after tests with the lights and training with white footballs on the ground, everything seemed ready for a "bumper" night. But it was not to be. Melbourne's atrocious winter weather returned and rain nullified a lot of the good effort and spoilt the game as a spectacle.

The Royal Agricultural Society arranged for a get-to-gether and refreshments after the match and also presented to the playing members of both clubs inscribed tankards. The Society's action was appreciated and the tankard souvenir very much prized.

APPRECIATION

Listed on the front of this Report are the names of numerous gentlemen, and the office within which they render service to the Club. Their continued loyalty, interest and earnest endeavours to promote the Club's affairs are very much appreciated, and to them the Committee expresses sincere thanks.

The Committee also wishes to express thanks to:—

Donors.—The ladies and gentlemen, listed later in this Report, who gave generous financial support.

Trophies.—The members and supporters who, throughout the season, handed in for the players numerous trophies. The players join the Committee in expressing appreciation of this additional support.

Victorian Football League.—To Messrs. Like McBrien and Eric McCutchan, Secretary and Assistant Secretary respectively, and their staff for assistance and advice so readily given throughout the year.

The Mayor, Cr. A. E. Coloretti, Councillors, Officials and Staff of the Richmond City Council.—For their courtesy and help in matters of interest to the Club.

The Press.—To the numerous gentlemen of the daily and weekly publications by whose efforts our supporters were supplied with information on the doings of the Club and the players. A special word of thanks to Mr. Sam Wells for his great help to the Tigers.

Radio Stations and Announcers.—For co-operation and assistance given by broadcasting Club news.

Kia-Ora Management, Clemenger & Co., 3KZ and all assisting Artists.—For another wonderful Sports Parade effort. It was a top liner. Special thanks are due to Max Reddy, Doug. Elliot and Norm Banks who "put over" the successful show.

Max and Stella Reddy.—For the champion evening at their home, following the Hawthorn match.

Ticket Agents and Sellers.—The business people who acted as season ticket agents and particularly the members of the Ticket Committee who willingly forfeited seeing the best part of the early matches of the season. Mr. Perc. Langdon, Ticket Secretary, is at time of going to press, unfortunately ill in the Heidelberg Hospital and sincere hopes are expressed by all associated with the Club, for his speedy and complete recovery.

Ground Staff.—The Richmond Cricket Club ground staff, so ably led by Nick Hosking, who experienced a particularly trying winter with many weeks on end of very bad weather.

Following the announcement that Roy Wright had won the Brownlow Medal, it was decided to arrange for the committee, players and supporters to express to him their pleasure in a practical manner. Max Reddy organised a special Sunday morning at the clubrooms and with associated artists put on a first class show free of cost to the Club. The rooms were packed with players and supporters, who appreciated the morning's entertainment, and also gave good practical support to the presentation to Roy. To Max Reddy and his associated artists our sincere thanks are expressed.

Throughout the season a band of sportsmen from Poowong regularly visited our clubrooms during the "home" matches and to

Mr. Ron Broad, a member of this party, is expressed the thanks of many players and officials who were recipients of his generosity.

Last, but by no means least, appreciation is expressed to our supporters, particularly those who became members.

CONGRATULATIONS

Heartiest congratulations are extended to:—

Roy Wright—our Brownlow Medallist, which achievement is commented upon earlier in this Report.

Geelong Football Club—Upon winning the 1952 Premiership.

Collingwood (Runners-up), **Fitzroy and Carlton Football Clubs**—who filled the other places in the final four.

Oakleigh Football Club—Upon winning the Association Premiership.

Richmond Cricket Club—For their cricket achievement in 1951-52 season and even improved effort so far in season 1952-53—at going to press, District leaders. May they finish with the Premiership.

Bill Johnston and Doug Ring—For once again being chosen to represent Australia on the cricket field. This time against South Africa and by their successes bringing further honour to Richmond.

W. L. Rush, Esq., of the Richmond Cricket Club—For his appointment to the Cricket Board of Control.

Bill Wilson, Don Fraser and Roy Wright—On gaining Interstate selection.

Bill Wilson and Ray Poulter—Upon their playing 150 and 100 premiership games respectively, with the Club.

Ray Poulter, Kevin Dillon, Brian Turner and Alan Cooke—Who joined the ranks of the benedicts.

Col Austen—Upon winning the trophy for the best player in the match against Collingwood on the Sydney Cricket Ground.

GENERAL

During the season it was very pleasing to have a number of old players call in to their old Club and they were duly made to feel welcome. Hughie James was visiting from New Zealand. Bill Perkins brought along the Brighton Football Club players for a look through our rooms. George Smeaton, when Oakleigh were not playing, also called in. Max Currie was down from Warracknabeal where he had a very successful coaching season, his team being runners-up in the strong Wimmera competition. Ken Roberts also called in. He had the fine achievement of coaching Minyip to the premiership in his first season with them. Bill Morris, Box Hill coach, was also a caller. A number of others, some doing good work coaching in the country and some retired from active participation, were included in the welcomes to the rooms.

Des Martin, an old player and who coached Watchem to runners-up in 1951, was attached to his old Club during 1952. He rendered excellent service in the recruiting field and his activities covered unallotted territory in the metropolitan area as well as the country.

Support was given by the Club to the Victorian Children's Holiday Organisation sponsored by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Councils. Messrs. Harry Dyke and Hec. Lingwood-Smith were workers on the Lord Mayor's Sports Committee and in addtion one Richmond child was sponsored through the Mayor of Richmond.

A carnival for country districts school football was held in Melbourne and the Club adopted and sponsored the lads from the Bendigo district. The lads trained at Richmond and were made to feel at home by having the run of the place. Entertainment and

talks were arranged for them and to everyone's pleasure, they won the carnival. Many expressions of thanks have been received by the Club. The lads were an excellent type and apart from the educational value, their sojourn in the City will always be a very happy memory to them.

The teams and their Sports Masters competing in the Richmond District State Schools' Sports Association were entertained in the clubroom at the conclusion of their season. Trophies donated by the Club and members of the Committee, were presented. The following is an extract from the letter of thanks received from Mr. A. B. Prowse, District Secretary: ". . . Most of our members have taught in other suburbs and all are agreed that no other club in Melbourne even approaches the standard set by Richmond Club in looking after the boys of its district."

Members of the South Australian Tramway Football Team, whilst visiting Melbourne for their carnival, were made welcome at our clubrooms, trained and received attention to injuries received during their carnival games.

Players from several country areas who were visiting the City accepted the Club's open invitation to come along and have a run at Richmond and we were also able to give satisfactory treatment to players from Rennie and Swan Hill District who were suffering from injuries received in their club matches.

The Australian Rugby Team, the "Kangaroos," whilst on their way to England, made our clubrooms their headquarters during their stay in Melbourne. Full use of the training facilities were made and our visitors when expressing thanks commented very favourably on our training rooms.

Equipment is a very costly item these days, and whilst every care is taken to preserve that which we have on hand, no opportunity is lost to improve on it or replace it with something more modern if it will benefit the players or the Club. Since season 1951, new training tables have been installed and they are the most modern of any Club. The old tressel type has been done away with and the latest are of very secure construction with a laminex top covered with enclosed sponge rubber matting. These tables are easily convertible when required for social functions.

ACTING HONORARY SECRETARY'S APPRECIATION

In conclusion of this Report on the team and Club's activities, I take the opportunity of expressing my sincere thanks to the officials and staff who have co-operated with me and to the players and trainers for their loyalty and assistance. It is possible that some who assisted during the season may have been overlooked in the Report, if so, to them I also offer my sincere thanks.

To step into the shoes of a Secretary of Maurie Fleming's calibre for the season was no easy task and to endeavour to carry out all the duties associated with such an active Club by part-time effort, raised many difficulties. However, active and practical support by all members of the Committee greatly helped me throughout my time in office and I am particularly indebted to Messrs. Bill Quinn, Charlie Priestley and Charlie Callander for their extra efforts and to our President, Mr. Harry Dyke, for his assistance and guidance in all matters.

It is indeed an honour to be associated with the Richmond Football Club.

H. LINGWOOD-SMITH, Act. Hon. Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S ADDENDUM

Season 1952 was disappointing to myself and the Committee of the Club. While we realise we had cleared a number of players who had given good service to the Richmond Football Club and

relied on a particularly young side to carry us through 1952, the team rose to great heights on occasions and then gave a number of disappointing displays in other matches. This we may be able to put down to the youth of the side, but with the experience these young players obtained during the last season, this should give them considerable confidence and we can look forward to season 1953 as one with very bright prospects.

Unfortunately for the Club Committee, we started the season with a lot of worries, the main one being the breakdown in health of our Secretary, Maurie Fleming. Maurie was placed in the position of having to resign his post as Secretary of the Club, or be granted leave of absence. The Committee readily gave Maurie eight months leave of absence to enable him to regain his health. Faced with the loss of our Secretary, it was left to Mr. F. O'Brien, Mr. P. Kennelly and myself to obtain the services of an Acting Secretary to carry on Maurie's duties for the season. We were fortunate in obtaining the services of Mr. H. Lingwood-Smith, ex-Secretary of Sandringham and South Melbourne. To Mr. Lingwood-Smith, I offer the thanks of the Committee and myself, for taking over the position at such an awkward time. Maurie Fleming will now be back in his position as Secretary after the Annual Meeting, with his health completely restored.

During the season 1952, I would like to thank the Committee of the Club for the manner in which they all endeavoured to lighten the duties of the Acting Secretary, Mr. Lingwood-Smith.

To Jack Dyer, who for business reason was forced to resign from the post of Coach, we offer thanks for the wonderful job he has done as Player, Captain and Coach of the Club. However, I am pleased Jack's services will not be lost to the Richmond Football Club, as he is a member of the Management Committee.

To replace Jack, we were fortunate in having Alby Pannam, who has coached and captained our Second Eighteen with considerable success, and we had no hesitation in appointing him non-playing Coach for 1953. We feel sure that Alby will have one hundred per cent. support from our Committee and Players, also from the Second Eighteen and we look forward to a successful season 1953.

HARRY DYKE, President.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCES

General Committee (21 Meetings): H. J. Dyke 21, W. A. Quinn 19, M. J. Bolger 19, R. H. Dunn 18, J. H. Jones 21, C. Callander 9 (resigned 15/7/52), L. J. Goring 8 (leave of absence from 3/6/52), P. C. Langdon 14 (sick leave from 7/10/52), C. Prisetley 21, J. Dyer 18, J. Tius 18, P. J. Kennelly 17, J. M. Sheehan 17, F. E. O'Brien 19, P. Rowe 10 (appointed 15/7/52), W. Pitt 10 (proxy from 15/7/52), L. Sinclair (R.C.C. Representative) 19, J. Joyce (2nd XVIII. Representative) 19, L. Ford (2nd XVIII. proxy delegate) 1, D. Rowe (Players' Representative, appointed 29/4/52) 12, D. Fraser (Players' Representative, appointed 29/4/52) 7, R. Poulter (Players' Representative) 13, J. M. Fleming 7 (leave of absence from 21/4/52), H. Lingwood-Smith 16 (Acting Hon. Secretary from 21/4/52).

Executive and Finance Committee (8 meetings): F. E. O'Brien 8, H. J. Dyke 8, M. J. Bolger 8, R. H. Dunn 7, P. J. Kennelly 7, W. A. Quinn 8, J. M. Fleming 3 (leave of absence from 21/4/52), H. Lingwood-Smith 6 (acting from 21/4/52).

Selection Committee (20 meetings): P. J. Kennelly 19, J. Dyer 20, J. Titus 19, D. Rowe 20, M. Oppy 19. Charlie Priestley (proxy committeeman) and the 2nd XVIII. Coach, Albert Pannam, were in attendance at every meeting. With the exception of one held in Sydney, all meetings of the Committee were attended by the 2nd XVIII. Selectors. Messrs. R. Brady, J. Phelan and L. Ford.

ANNUAL TROPHIES, SEASON 1952

For	Donor	Won by
Best and Fairest	Mr. Jack Jones	Roy Wright
2nd Best and Fairest	Mr. Arthur Hunt	Bill Wilson
3rd Best and Fairest	Marchants Pty. Ltd.	John Nix
Most Improved	Mr. Tom Crisp	Havel Rowe
Most Consistent	Mr. George Graves	Ray Poulter
Most Determined	Mr. Tom Clencie	Max Oppy
Best Utility	Mr. Ted Newton	Don Fraser
Most Unselfish	Mr. Ray Dunn	Colin Austen
Most Reliable	Hon. P. J. Kennelly	Geoff Spring
Best Clubman	Mr. Johnnie Smith	Des Rowe
W. Cosgrove Memorial (best 1st year player)	Mr. Harry Dyke	Graham Cox
Special Trophy	Mr. Eli Phillips	Kevin Dillon
" "	Mr. Bill Pitt	Alan Cooke
" "	Mr. Douglas Stewart	Fred Clarke
" "	Mr. Harry Roberts	Jack O'Rourke
" "	Mr. Frank O'Brien	Tom Allen
" "	Senator Jim Sheehan	Alan Cations
" "	Mr. Les Goring	Frank Ryan
" "	"Richmond News"	Roy Wright
Most Votes in Brownlow Medal	Cr. A. Coloretti	Roy Wright
Best Player 2nd XVIII.	J. D. Langdon Cup	Graham Cox
Best Player 3rd XVIII.	J. J. Smith Cup	Graham Richmond
Most Votes in Brownlow Medal	Mr. Maurie Fleming	Roy Wright

FIVE, TEN, FIFTEEN-YEAR PLAYERS

Fifteen Years:

1923—H. James. 1924—V. Thorp (16 years). 1939—P. Bentley (16 years). 1940—J. Titus (18 years). 1945—J. Dyer (19 years).

Ten Years:

1919—B. V. Herbert, P. Maybury, S. Reeves. 1921—C. H. Hall. 1923—F. V. Hughes. 1924—F. Harley. 1926—J. Smith, D. Don. 1934—A. Geddes, B. McCormack, T. O'Halloran. 1936—J. Murdoch. 1939—K. O'Neill, M. Bolger. 1940—R. Martin. 1943—R. Harris, J .Symons. 1944—G. Smeaton. 1947—C. Priestley. 1949—L. Merrett, W. Perkins. 1951—F. Burge, J. W. Morris, W. M. Oppy.

Five Years:

1913—E. Ohlsen, W. Mahoney, R. Bowden, G. Gibson. 1914—F. McCashney, F. Love. 1916—D. J. Moffatt. 1918—A. J. Bettles, R. T. Hede. 1919—H. Alessio, L. Burke, A. Danks, E. Keggin, W. Thomas 1920—G. Bayliss. 1921—M. Hislop, R. Weatherill. 1923—G. Weatherill. 1924—F. Huggard, J. Karthaus, N. McIntosh, D. Minogue, E. Taylor. 1925—M. Morris. 1926—D. Hayes. 1927—A. McIsaac, G. Rudolph. 1929—D. Lynch. 1930—R. Empey, D. Harris, H. Weidner, K. Millar. 1931—J. Baggott, C. Watson. 1932—W. Benton, B. Foster, S. Judkins. 1933—M. Hunter, M. Sheahan. 1934—E. Zschech. 1935—G. and D. Strang. 1938—D. Guinane, R. Chergwin. 1939—J. Cotter. 1940—I. Hull, N. Dickson. 1941—J. Crane, M. O'Connell. 1942—B. Edwards. 1943—L. Ablett, R. Bawden, J. Scott. 1944—B. Waldron. 1945—L. Maguire, B. Randall, L. Smith. 1946—A. McDonald, W. Russell, R. Steele, J. Sullivan. 1947—F. Bourke, R. Durham, A. Mooney. 1948—F. Cook, L. Jones, W. Wilson. 1949—D. Fraser, R. Wiggins. 1950—K. Albiston, R. Poulter, D. Rowe, R. Stokes. R. Wright. 1951—M. Currie, K. Roberts. 1952—H. Rowe, G. Spring.

DONORS TO CLUB FUNDS, SEASON 1952

	£		
Mr. Douglas Stewart	100	0	0
Mr. George Graves	50	0	0
Mr. Jack Jones	25	0	0
Mr. Theo Lewis	25	0	0
Mr. John Smith	25	0	0
Mr. J. S. Macdermott	20	0	0
Mr. R. Kelly	11	11	0
Mr. Donald Don	10	10	0
Mr. R. E. Hodgkinson	10	10	0
Mr. H. V. Maddern	10	10	0
Mr. G. Provan	10	10	0
Mr. H. Roberts	10	10	0
Mr. John Costello	10	0	0
Mr. R. Garroway	10	0	0
Mr. Jack Gibson	10	0	0
Mr. Bill Graves	10	0	0
The late Bud Graves	10	0	0
Mr. Ernest Grey	10	0	0
Mr. Gordon Hoadley	10	0	0
Mr. Alex Tait	10	0	0
Mr. Ted Newton	7	7	0
Mr. Frank Pembroke	6	7	6
Mrs. I. A. Mulcahy	6	6	0
Mr. W. G. Pitt	6	6	0
Mr. Cyril Turner	6	6	0
Mr. R. C. Beatty	5	5	0
Bryant & May Pty. Ltd.	5	5	0
Miss Airdrie Cameron	5	5	0
Mr. R. Carey	5	5	0
Mr. Clive Corry	5	5	0
Sam and Howard Cusworth	5	5	0
Mr. Norman Eyre	5	5	0
Mr. Terry Fitzpatrick	5	5	0
H. J. Heinz & Co. Pty. Ltd.	5	5	0
Mr. George Hook	5	5	0
Maurie and David Klein	5	5	0
Mr. Perc. Mitchell	5	5	0
Mr. Peter Read	5	5	0
Mr. and Mrs. Max Reddy	5	5	0
Richmond Brewing Co. Pty. Ltd.	5	5	0
M. A. Rogers Pty. Ltd.	5	5	0
Mr. W. Spry	5	5	0
Mr. Ray C. Steele	5	5	0
Mr. and Mrs. Thos. W. Taylor	5	5	0
Tilbury & Lewis Pty. Ltd.	5	5	0
B. & E. Walker	5	5	0
Mr. M. Aarons	5	0	0
Mr. Ted Jackson	5	0	0
Mr. J. Stroud	5	0	0
Mr. S. Archer	4	4	0
Love & Pollard Pty. Ltd.	4	4	0
Mr. Abe Aarons	3	3	0
T. Corns & Co.	3	3	0
Dimmeys Model Stores	3	3	0
Mr. Alex Holzer	3	3	0
William Horsfall Pty. Ltd.	3	3	0
Mr. W. J. Hubball	3	3	0
Mr. M. L. Jaques	3	3	0
Mr. Ernest H. King	3	3	0
Mr. Ernest Kirton	3	3	0
Kiwi Polish Co. Pty. Ltd.	3	3	0
Mr. Dick Lean	3	3	0
Mr. F. Murphy	3	3	0
Mrs. Amy McLaren	3	3	0
Mr. W. S. Nutt	3	3	0
Mr. Clarrie Robertson	3	3	0
Valco Engineering Co.	3	3	0
Anonymous	3	3	0
Mr. G. E. Coote	3	0	0
Mr. Eric James	3	0	0
Mr. Alan Steele	2	12	6
Mr. S. J. Steele	2	12	6
Mr. Ron Board	2	10	0
Mr. E. Cockran	2	10	0
Mr. Tom Davern	2	10	0
Mr. H. G. Hunt	2	3	6
Apex Motors Pty. Ltd.	2	2	0
Mr. Jack Baggott	2	2	0
Mr. Norman E. Barber	2	2	0
Sir Frank Beaurepaire	2	2	0
Cr. Thos. P. Bolger	2	2	0
Mr. C. E. Boyle	2	2	0
Mr. Bill Brown	2	2	0
Carlton & United Breweries Ltd.	2	2	0
A. Challingsworth Pty. Ltd.	2	2	0
Mr. Fred Chatto	2	2	0
Cherry Tree Hotel	2	2	0
Mrs. Dockery	2	2	0
Mr. W. A. Dowling	2	2	0
Mr. Bill Duncan	2	2	0
Mr. N. E. Foster	2	2	0
Mr. W. Fowler	2	2	0
F. D. Hagger Pty. Ltd.	2	2	0

Mr. Hec Haslem	2	2	0
Fred Hesse Pty. Ltd.	2	2	0
T. Howard Jackett & Co.	2	2	0
Mr. Stan M. Keon, M.H.R.	2	2	0
Mr. Eric J. Kirton	2	2	0
Mr. N. J. Kirton	2	2	0
Mr. Fred Laby	2	2	0
London Stores Ltd.	2	2	0
Mr. R. J. Long	2	2	0
Loy Bros. Pty. Ltd.	2	2	0
Lyke-Nu Dry Clean'g	2	2	0
Main Nickless Pty. Ltd.	2	2	0
J. Murray More & Co.	2	2	0
Mr. Harold Moroney	2	2	0
Mr. Lawson Muir	2	2	0
Mr. Alan Murray	2	2	0
Mr. J. McAdam	2	2	0
McFarlane & Burns Pty. Ltd.	2	2	0
Mr. McGuinness	2	2	0
John McIlwraith Industries Ltd.	2	2	0
Mr. Matt. R. O'Donohue	2	2	0
Pelaco Ltd.	2	2	0
T. Pickett Pty. Ltd.	2	2	0
Mr. Harry Pitter	2	2	0
Mr. Arthur Pointon	2	2	0
Mr. Frank Power	2	2	0
Primrose Flower Shop	2	2	0
Mr. David M. Prince	2	2	0
Mr. Jack Quinn	2	2	0
Mr. G. K. Rattray	2	2	0
Mr. James A. Rust	2	2	0
Hon. Frank L. Scully, M.L.A.	2	2	0
Mr. Les Sinclair	2	2	0
Smith Mitchell & Co.	2	2	0
Stapleton Industries Pty. Ltd.	2	2	0
Mr. S. C. Steele	2	2	0
John Sutherland & Sons	2	2	0
Turner Manuf. Co. Ltd.	2	2	0
Mr. R. D. Waugh	2	2	0
Mr. Ted Wieland	2	2	0
Mr. Joe Burke	2	0	0
Mr. John Fleming	2	0	0
Bro. Leo Hughes	2	0	0
Mr. Shane McGrath	2	0	0
Richmond Dry Cleaners	1	11	6
Mr. Frank Pittard	1	11	0
Albion Metalware Pty. Ltd.	1	10	0
Mr. John Allison	1	10	0
Cremorne Collar Co.	1	10	0
Hon. Tom D'Alton	1	10	0
Mr. George Hicks	1	10	0
Mr. J. W. Moran	1	10	0
Preservene Pty. Ltd.	1	10	0
Relova Redressing Laundry	1	10	0
Victorian Fibrous Plaster Co.	1	10	0
Mr. Cecil Cox	1	5	0
Senator A. Hendrickson	1	1	0
Mr. Oliver J. Nilsen	1	1	0
Mr. Chas. Williamson	1	0	0
	£780	11	6

In addition to the above the attention of our members is also drawn to the wonderful array of trophies that will be on display at the Annual Meeting and which were supplied by the firms and gentlemen listed earlier in this Report under Annual Trophies.

Closely supporting are the following donors of trophies which were awarded to the players throughout the season: Messrs. Harry Dyke, Eli Phillips, Cyril Turner, Johnnie Smith, Jack Dyer, Doug. Stewart, Clarrie Robertson, Mrs. Gregory, Messrs. Dick Newton, Pelaco Ltd., Terry Fitzpatrick, Ron Board, Ted Reilly, Bill Keogh, Alan Murray, Arthur Hunt, McGuinness, Smith, Norm Ellis, Max Reddy, Frank Bailey, Bob Barry, Les Goring, Bill Pitt, Dr. P. L. Grogan, Harold Moroney, Jack Bell, W. Watts, Senator Jim Sheehan, Frank O'Brien, Perc. Page, Cr. Roy Dowson, Cr. M. Sheehy, Ray Wood, and anonymous donors.

To all our donors of cash and trophies, the Committee offer sincere thanks and they are joined by our players who being the recipients of the trophies, also desire to express their deep appreciation.

RESULT OF MATCHES, SEASON 1952

Date		Richmond versus	Result	Rich. Score G.	B.	Pts.	Oppon. Score G.	B.	Pts.
April	19	Fitzroy	Won	7	12	54	5	15	45
„	26	Hawthorn	Won	12	10	82	8	14	62
May	3	Sth. Melbourne	Lost	12	9	81	14	15	99
„	10	Nth. Melbourne	Won	18	13	121	16	15	111
„	17	Footscray	Lost	5	6	36	9	6	60
„	31	Geelong	Lost	8	7	55	11	13	79
June	9	Essendon	Won	10	9	69	7	18	60
„	14	Collingwood	Lost	5	6	36	10	12	72
„	21	Carlton	Lost	5	3	33	5	9	39
„	28	Melbourne	Lost	6	10	46	12	11	83
July	5	Collingwood	Lost	8	6	54	10	19	79
„	12	St. Kilda	Won	10	17	77	6	8	44
„	19	Fitzroy	Lost	5	17	47	11	10	76
„	26	Hawthorn	Won	14	7	91	8	14	62
Aug.	2	Sth. Melbourne	Lost	10	14	74	12	14	86
„	9	Nth. Melbourne	Lost	9	12	66	14	10	94
„	16	Footscray	Won	13	11	89	5	14	44
„	23	Geelong	Lost	10	7	67	17	9	111
„	30	Essendon	Won	15	11	101	11	10	76
				182	187	1279	191	236	1382

Summary: Matches Played 19; Won 8, Lost 11.
Position on Premiership List: Ninth.

LIFE MEMBERS

The Club's Life Membership list is as follows:—

1905—McNair, A.
1915—James, J. H.
1916—Lohse, W. H.
1917—Maybury, P. H.
1919—Reeves, S. W.
1920—Hall, C. H.
1921—Aarons, A.
1922—Bettles, A. J.
1923—Hughes, F. V.
1924—Harley, F.
1926—Don, D.
Smith, J.
1927—Dyke, H.
Taylor, E.
1928—Hayes, D.
1929—Gosch, W. H.
1930—Higginbotham, W. J.
1931—Page, P.
1932—Baker, W.
1933—Cox, H.
1934—Bentley, P.
Geddes, A.
O'Halloran, T.
McCormack, B.
1935—O'Brien, F.
Titus, J.
1937—Murdoch, J.
1938—Hunter, M.
Sheahan, M. E.
1939—Bolger, M.
O'Neill, K.
1940—Dyer, J.
Martin, R.
1941—Callander, C.
Daws, A. H.
1942—Fleming, J. M.
Turner, C. E.
1943—Harris, R.
Symons, J.
1944—Langdon, P. C.
Smeaton, G.
1945—Jones, J. H.
1946—Davall, R.
Dunn, R. H.
1947—Kennelly, P. J.
Priestley, C.
1948—Joyce, J.
Quinn, W. A.
1949—Merrett, L.
Perkins, W.
1950—Goring, L. J.
Sheehan, J. M.
1951—Burge, F.
Morris, J. W.
Oppy, W. M.
1952—Sinclair, L.
Grogan, Dr. P. L.

PLAYERS AND GOALS KICKED IN PREMIERSHIP MATCHES

Player	First Played	Matches 1952	Total Matches Played	Goals Kicked	Total Goals with Club
Allen, T.	1949	5	19	1	8
Audas, P.	1952	4	4	2	2
Austen, C.	1950	16	51	–	1
Betson, K.	1952	7	7	–	–
Boland, B.	1950	8	38	–	6
Brennan, J.	1952	2	2	–	–
Brown, B.	1952	2	2	–	–
Cations, A.	1952	13	13	5	5
Clarke, F.	1951	14	16	–	–
Collins, G.	1952	7	7	6	6
Cooke, A.	1949	18	43	12	33
Cox, G.	1952	11	11	5	5
Currie, J.	1952	2	2	1	1
Dillon, K.	1949	14	44	3	4
Ednie, R.	1950	4	20	2	12
Flintoff, L.	1950	7	14	3	4
Fraser, D.	1945	14	124	–	125
Geard, R.	1952	8	8	–	–
Gibb, R.	1952	4	4	1	1
Hoare, G.	1952	5	5	2	2
Hogan, K.	1952	8	8	3	3
Horwood, R.	1950	2	27	–	–
Morcom, S.	1952	3	3	–	–
Nix, J.	1949	19	49	–	10
Oppy, M.	1942	19	149	–	29
O'Rourke, J.	1949	16	39	43	120
Poulter, R.	1946	18	106	33	220
Reiffel, R.	1951	2	3	–	–
Ritchie, J.	1951	6	9	1	1
Rowe, D.	1946	19	89	1	22
Rowe, H.	1948	16	53	4	27
Ryan, F.	1951	8	10	–	–
Schofield, P.	1951	7	13	4	25
Spring, G.	1948	19	90	12	36
Turner, B.	1951	7	16	4	8
Western, A.	1952	4	4	3	3
Wilson, W.	1944	18	152	20	193
Wright, R.	1946	17	92	11	38

RESULT OF MATCHES PLAYED BY RICHMOND SINCE JOINING THE VICTORIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE IN 1908

Against	Won	Lost	Tied	Played
Carlton	37	57	—	94
Collingwood	38	54	1	93
Essendon	41	41	2	84
Fitzroy	45	42	—	87
Footscray	32	15	1	48
Geelong	48	32	2	82
Hawthorn	42	7	—	49
Melbourne	46	31	1	78
North Melbourne	34	11	—	45
South Melbourne	40	41	1	82
St. Kilda	53	19	—	72
	456	350	8	814

CLUB OFFICIALS AND ACHIEVEMENTS SINCE ADMISSION TO LEAGUE

Year	President	Secretary	Treasurer	Captain	Highest Goal Kicker	For Gls.	Bhds.		Against Gls.	Bhds.		Position
1908	G. H. Bennett, M.L.A.	A. Manzie	A. McNair	C. Pannam R. Condon	W. Bourke (24)	128	172	-	178	207	-	Ninth
1909	F. G. Tudor, M.H.R.	"	"	J. Lawson	W. Bourke (20)	112	153	-	179	209	-	Eighth
1910	"	"	"	W. Schmidt	M. Maguire (20)	127	175	-	121	186	-	Seventh
1911	"	"	"	L. Incigneri	M. Maguire (29)	122	199	-	138	193	-	Eighth
1912	"	G. P. Beachcroft	J. Macdermott	E. Ohlsen	E. Keggin (24)	115	173	-	184	229	-	Ninth
1913	"	W. H. Lohse	J. H. Archer	H. James	P. Martyn (32)	143	176	-	150	190	-	Seventh
1914	"	"	"	W. Thomas	C. Hall (32)	143	226	-	143	219	-	Eighth
1915	"	"	"	"	C. Hall (25)	126	150	-	158	216	-	Sixth
1916	"	"	"	"	P. Martyn (22)	120	139	-	131	170	-	Fourth
1917	"	W. A. Maybury	"	P. H. Maybury	C. Fehring (14)	104	138	-	127	192	-	Sixth
1918	"	"	"	C. H. Hall	D. Don (19)	96	176	-	117	155	-	Sixth
1919	A. Wood	"	"	W. Thomas	D. Don (31)	172	251	-	148	210	-	Runners-up
1920	"	"	"	D. T. Minogue	G. Bayliss (63)	202	223	-	143	154	-	Premiers
1921	"	"	A. Aarons	"	G. Bayliss (53)	188	222	-	149	226	-	Premiers
1922	"	"	"	"	G. Bayliss (32)	146	163	-	154	204	-	Fifth
1923	"	"	"	"	D. Fraser (18)	121	180	-	156	202	-	Eighth
1924	J. H. Archer	Perc. Page	"	"	M. Morris (44)	172	259	-	169	222	-	Runners-up
1925	"	"	J. D. Langdon	"	M. Morris (25)	132	189	-	158	183	-	Seventh
1926	"	"	"	M. Morris	D. Lynch (31)	186	261	-	214	211	-	Seventh
1927	"	"	"	A. Geddes	J. Baggott (37)	216	270	-	164	219	-	Runners-up
1928	"	"	"	"	J. Baggott (61)	253	303	-	195	218	-	Runners-up
1929	"	"	"	C. Lilburne	J. Titus (54)	277	311	-	235	220	-	Runners-up
1930	"	"	"	A. Geddes	J. Titus (50)	214	257	-	175	207	-	Fourth
1931	"	"	"	M. Hunter	D. Strang (68)	247	292	-	174	243	-	Runners-up
1932	B. V. Herbert	J. J. Smith	"	P. Bentley	D. Strang (49)	242	290	-	174	244	-	Premiers
1933	"	"	"	"	D. Strang (51)	281	249	-	206	241	-	Runners-up
1934	"	"	"	"	J. Titus (80)	266	284	-	206	235	-	Premiers
1935	"	"	"	"	J. Titus (83)	253	245	-	215	247	-	Third
1936	H. L. Roberts	"	"	"	J. Titus (83)	239	239	-	225	200	-	Fifth
1937	"	"	G. B. Smith	"	J. Titus (65)	244	252	-	225	207	-	Fourth
1938	"	"	C. E. Turner	"	J. Titus (72)	253	229	-	219	249	-	Sixth
1939	B. V. Herbert	M. E. Sheahan	"	"	J. Titus (48)	245	316	-	220	221	-	Fourth
1940	H. J. Dyke	J. M. Fleming	"	"	J. Titus (100)	285	252	-	238	269	-	Runners-up
1941	"	"	"	J. Dyer	J. Titus (87)	255	265	-	227	242	-	Fourth
1942	"	"	"	"	J. Titus (67)	278	267	-	213	232	-	Runners-up
1943	"	"	"	"	R. Harris (63)	234	274	-	198	214	-	Premiers
1944	"	"	"	"	R. Harris (63)	305	285	-	236	256	-	Runners-up
1945	"	"	"	"	F. Burge(55)	254	278	-	249	248	-	Seventh
1946	"	"	"	"	A. Mooney (49)	275	271	-	234	255	-	Fifth
1947	"	"	J. J. Smith	"	J. Dyer (46)	254	276	-	238	257	-	Fourth
1948	"	"	"	"	J. Dyer (64)	275	245	-	208	261	-	Fifth
1949	"	"	& W. A. Quinn	"	R. Poulter (51)	246	257	-	207	241	-	Sixth
1950	"	"	W. A. Quinn	W. Morris	R. Poulter (56)	214	222	-	208	228	-	Sixth
1951	"	"	"	"	J. O'Rourke (58)	222	219	-	183	229	-	Sixth
1952	"	& H. Lingwood-Smith	"	D. Rowe	J. O'Rourke (43)	182	187	-	191	236	-	Ninth
					Totals	9166	10460	-	8380	9897		